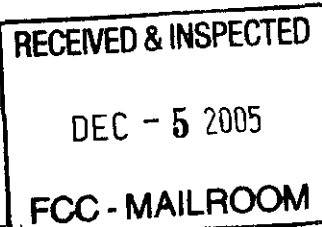


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November 21, 2005

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Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Flannery:

**Re: American Cellular Corporation Certification of rate centers for High Cost Support for Rural Carriers purposes, Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Sections 54.314, CC Docket No. 96-45**

The Michigan Public Service Commission hereby certifies that American Cellular Corporation has met the current standards for State certification of its rate centers, (SAC 319012), for the purpose of federal high cost support provided to rural carriers. American Cellular Corporation has certified that federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This certification is provided pursuant to 47 CFR §§ 54.313 and 54.314 for the years 2005 and 2006.

Pursuant to 47 CFR §§ 54.307(d), 54.313(d)(3)(vi) and 54.314(d)(6), American Cellular Corporation is eligible to receive high cost universal service support effective November 10, 2005. Attached is a copy of Commission Order No. U-14483 and a list of exchanges for which American Cellular Systems has received ETC designation.

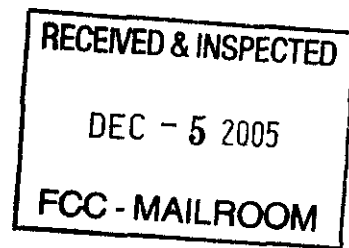
Sincerely,

Orjiakor Isiogu, Director  
Telecommunications Division

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BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of )  
**AMERICAN CELLULAR CORPORATION** )  
for designation as an eligible telecommunications )  
carrier pursuant to Section 214(e) of the )  
Telecommunications Act of 1996. )  
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Case No. U-14483

At the November 10, 2005 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,  
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. J. Peter Lark, Chairman  
Hon. Laura Chappelle, Commissioner  
Hon. Monica Martinez, Commissioner

**OPINION AND ORDER**

On April 11, 2005, American Cellular Corporation (ACC) filed an application, pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC § 214(e)(2), for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for purposes of universal service fund support (USF).

ACC requests that the Commission enter an order immediately designating it as a competitive ETC in the non-rural telephone company wire centers and rural telephone company study areas identified on Exhibit A to its application. ACC asserts that the Commission may act on its application without the necessity of a public hearing.

After reviewing ACC's application, the Commission finds that it should be granted because the Commission is persuaded that ETC designation for ACC promotes the availability of universal

service and is in the public interest. The application filed by ACC for ETC designation for purposes of receiving USF support is granted, with the understanding that after October 1, 2006, ACC will comply with enhanced service requirements, as required by the Federal Communications Commission's Report and Order 05-46, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's October 18, 2005 order in Case No. U-14530.

Moreover, the Commission concludes, as it did in its November 20, 2001 order in Case No. U-13145, that it need not solicit comment on the application, which would only further delay action on the application.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1991 PA 179, as amended, MCL 484.2101 *et seq.*; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 *et seq.*; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1999 AC, R 460.17101 *et seq.*
- b. ACC's application for designation as an ETC for purposes of USF support should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the application filed by American Cellular Corporation for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier for purposes of universal service fund support is granted.

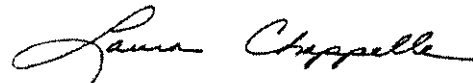
The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Chairman



Comm:



Commissioner

By its action of November 10, 2005.



Its Executive Secretary

# EXHIBIT A

## ACC'S REQUESTED ETC SERVICE AREAS

GENERAL INFORMATION COMPANY WITH CARRIER		
Non-Bell Telephone Company	Service Area Code	Wire Center
Michigan Bell Telephone Company	305090	AMSAMIMN BRDLMIMN BRRVMIMN BSMRMIMN CALMMIMN CHMPMIMN CHNGMICR CHSLMIMN CRFLMIMN GWNNMIMN HNCCMIMN HRVYMIMN IRMTMIMN IRRVMIMN IRWDMIMN ISHPMIMN KVNWMIMN LKLIMIMN MCHGMIMN MNMNMIMN MRQTMIMN NGNEMIMN NRWYMINW PWRSMIMN RPBLMIMN STSNMIST WKFDMIMN WTRMMIMN

NORTH TELEPHONE COMPANY SYNDICATES		
North Telephone Company	Service Area Code	Wire Center Company Name
Baraga Tel. Co.	310675	ALTNMIXI BARGMIXJ LNSEMXI TPLAMIXI
Chatham Tel. Co. dba TDS Telecom	310685	AUTRMIXI CHHMMIXI SKNDMIXI SNRVMIXI TRNYMIXI
Midway Tel. Co.	310711	GDLKMIXI TRCKMIXJ WTTNMIXJ
Ontonagon County Tel. Co.	310717	BRCRMIXJ EWENMIXI MASSMIXI ONTNMIXI RKLDMIXI WHPIMIXI
Upper Peninsula Telephone Company	310732	CRNYMIXJ DNKNMIXI FLCHMIXI FNRVMIXI FTHRMIXI LKGOMIXI MHGFMIXI MRNSMIXI NLNDMIXI SMLKMIXI WLLCMIXA WTMQMIXI AMBLMIXJ CTPOMIXJ DRISMIXI GRHRMIXI MRVRMIXI RXTNMIXI SCPTMIXI